



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
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May 29, 2013

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Subject: **NPDES Permit No. TN0080934**
Cleveland Municipal Airport
Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Wood:

The Division of Water Resources (division) received your April 19, 2013 letter requesting monitoring adjustments for the subject permit. Specifically, you requested that:

1. The required continuous monitoring of outfalls draining more than 50 acres be changed to monthly sampling with the same requirements as outfalls draining less than 50 acres;
2. That the required continuous monitoring of Little Chatata Creek be terminated; and
3. That the biological monitoring being performed at two locations on Little Chatata Creek be terminated.

The Airport's permit allows a change in monitoring frequency for outfalls draining 50 acres or more to once per month with a sample type of "Estimate" for flow and of "Grab" for TSS and turbidity, at the request of the permittee, after three months of monitoring at the above required frequency. The permit also allows instream monitoring to be discontinued after three months of monitoring for each new phase of construction at the request of the permittee. Both of these monitoring requirement changes must be approved by the division. The division is granting the Airport's request to change the monitoring frequency for Outfall SW5 to monthly and to discontinue instream monitoring of Little Chatata Creek effective as of the date of this letter.

Since the Airport's permit does not have a clause specifically allowing the Airport, upon approval from the division, to reduce or discontinue the biological monitoring, such a change would require a major permit modification with public notice. This was discussed with you on May 28, 2013. On May 29, 2013, the division received email correspondence from you notifying the division that the Airport does not want to modify their permit to reduce the biological monitoring requirement.

If you have questions, please contact the Chattanooga Environmental Field Office at 1-888-891-TDEC; or, at this office, please contact Ms. Erin O'Brien at (615) 253-2245 or by E-mail at Erin.O'Brien@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

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